

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS**

PATENT

Docket No. : 30473

Attorney : Richard D. Seibel

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **ROCK BIT WITH HARDFACING MATERIAL INCORPORATING SPHERICAL CAST CARBIDE PARTICLES**, the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following is checked:

☒ was filed on ___ as United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number ___ and was amended on ___ (if applicable).

☒ I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

☒ I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of the foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application(s)

<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Filing Date (day/month/year)</u>	<u>Priority Claimed</u>
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<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
60/014,731	March 12, 1996
60/014,225	March 27, 1996

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s), or any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application:

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POWER OF ATTORNEY: I hereby appoint the following attorneys and agents of the law firm CHRISTIE, PARKER & HALE, LLP to prosecute this application and any international application under the Patent Cooperation Treaty based on it and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected with either of them in accordance with instructions from the assignee of the entire interest in this application; or from the first or sole inventor named below

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I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Full name of sole or first joint inventor <u>Dah-Ben Liang</u>	Inventor's signature <i>Dah-Ben Liang</i>	Date <u>3/11/97</u>
Residence and Post Office Address 27 Rustic View Court, The Woodlands, <u>Texas</u> 77381		Citizenship U.S.A.

Full name of second joint inventor <u>Alysia C. White</u>	Inventor's signature	Date
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FANG, ZHIGANG

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SUE, JIINJEN ALBERT

DOC DATE: 03/10/1997

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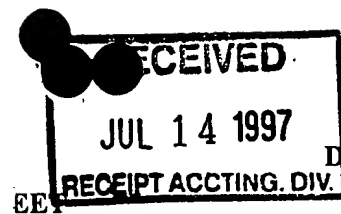
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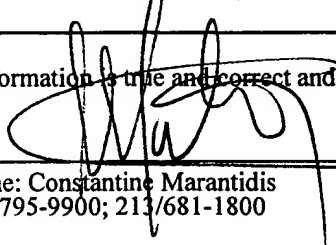
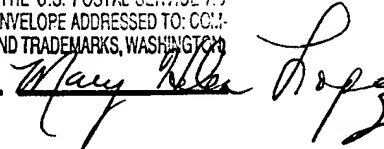
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1. Name of conveying party(ies): Dah-Ben Liang, Alysia C. White, Zhigang Fang, and Jiinjen Albert Sue Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached: NO		2. Name and address of receiving party(ies): Name: Smith International, Inc. Street Address: 16740 Hardy Street Houston, Texas 77032	
3. Name of conveyance: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignment <input type="checkbox"/> Merger <input type="checkbox"/> Security Agreement <input type="checkbox"/> Change of Name <input type="checkbox"/> Other: Execution Date: March 11, 1997, March 7, 1997, and March 10, 1997		Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? NO	
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10. <input type="checkbox"/> Explanatory letter is enclosed.		7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total fee enclosed (37 CFR 3.41): \$ 40.00 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any deficiency or overpayment of fees should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 03-1728, except for payment of issue fees required under 37 CFR § 1.18. Please show our docket number with any credit or charge to our Deposit Account.	
9. Statement and signature. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document. Date: July 9, 1997 By  Name: Constantine Marantidis 818/795-9900; 213/681-1800 I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE U.S. POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: COM- MISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS, WASHINGTON D.C. 20231 ON JUL 9 1997  (DATE) SIGNED Total number of pages including cover sheet, attachments, and document: 4			

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, WE, **Dah-Ben Liang, Alysia C. White, Zhigang Fang, and Jiinjen Albert Sue**; residing at 27 Rustic View Court, The Woodlands, Texas 77381; 4918 Pine Prairie, Kingwood, Texas 77345; 230 South Crimson Clover Circle, The Woodlands, Texas 77381; and 22 South Dragonwood Place, The Woodlands, Texas 77381 respectively, have invented certain new and useful improvements disclosed in an application for United States Letters Patent entitled **ROCK BIT WITH HARDFACING MATERIAL INCORPORATING SPHERICAL CAST CARBIDE PARTICLES**, and executed by us on even date herewith;

AND WHEREAS **SMITH INTERNATIONAL, INC.**, a Delaware corporation, having a place of business at 16740 Hardy Street, Houston, Texas 77032 (hereafter, together with any successors, legal representatives or assigns thereof, called "ASSIGNEE") wants to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to said improvements and application.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to us in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over to ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest in and to said improvements, and said application and all divisions and continuations thereof, and all United States Letters Patents which may be granted thereon and all reissues, reexaminations and extensions thereof, and all priority rights under all available International Agreements, Treaties and Conventions for the protection of intellectual property in its various forms in every participating country, and all applications for patents (including related rights such as utility-model registrations, inventor's certificates, and the like) heretofore or hereafter filed for said improvements in any foreign countries, and all patents (including all continuations, divisions, extensions, renewals, substitutes, and reissues thereof) granted for said improvements in any foreign countries; and we hereby authorize and request the United States Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, and any officials of foreign countries whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue all patents for said improvements to ASSIGNEE in accordance with the terms of this Assignment;

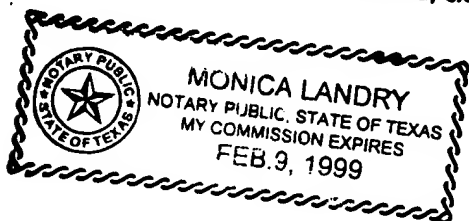
AND WE HEREBY covenant that we have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that we have not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith;

AND WE HEREBY further covenant and agree that we will communicate to ASSIGNEE any facts known to us respecting said improvements, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuation, substitute and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid ASSIGNEE to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

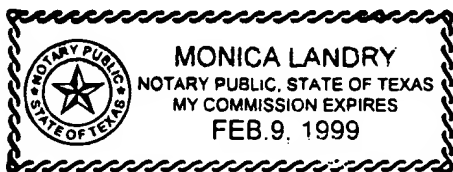
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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 7th day of March, 19 97Dah-Ben Liang
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HarrisOn 3/7/97, before me Monica Landry, Notary Public, personally appeared Dah-Ben Liang personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Monica Landry
Signature of NotaryIN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 11 day of March, 19 97Alysia C. White
Alysia C. WhiteSTATE OF
COUNTY OFTexas
HarrisOn 3/11/97, before me Monica Landry, Notary Public, personally appeared Alysia C. White personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that she executed the same in her authorized capacity, and that by her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

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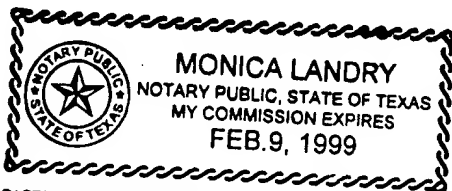
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